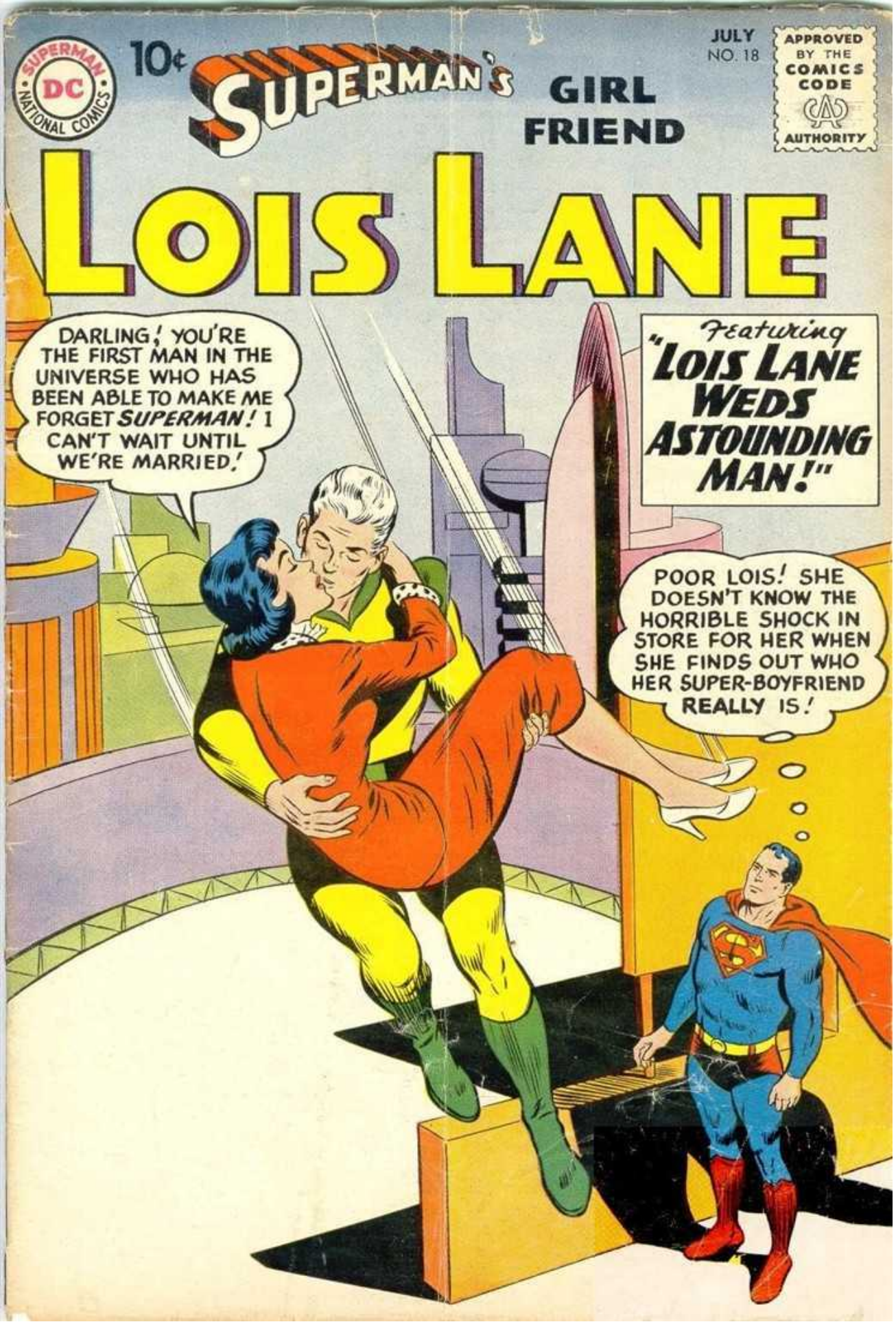
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DARLING! YOU'RE THE FIRST MAN IN THE UNIVERSE WHO HAS BEEN ABLE TO MAKE ME FORGET SUPERMAN! I CAN'T WAIT UNTIL WE'RE MARRIED!
POOR LOIS! SHE DOESN'T KNOW THE HORRIBLE SHOCK IN STORE FOR HER WHEN SHE FINDS OUT WHO HER SUPER-BOYFRIEND REALLY IS!

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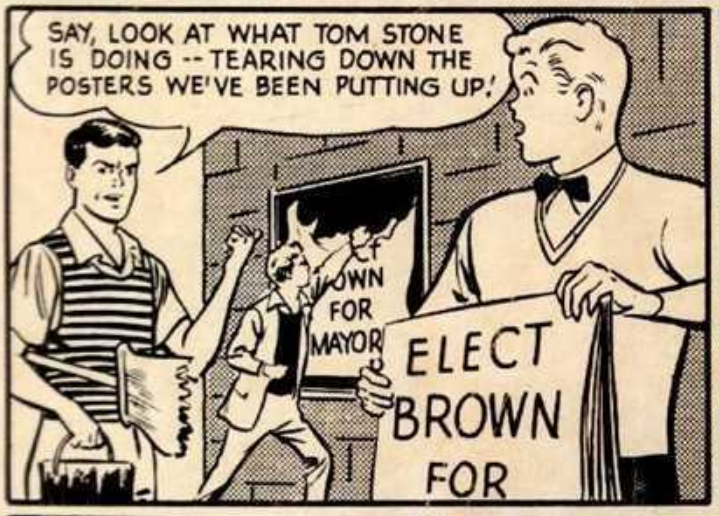

WHAT'S THE IDEA, TOM?
MY DAD SAYS MAYOR GREEN IS THE BEST MAYOR FOR THIS TOWN -- SO I'M AGAINST BROWN!
THAT DOESN'T GIVE YOU THE RIGHT TO TEAR DOWN THESE POSTERS!
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THAT'S NOT BEING FAIR! GIVE MR. BROWN A CHANCE TO SPEAK. WHETHER YOU'RE FOR HIM OR AGAINST HIM, THAT'S THE AMERICAN WAY OF DOING THINGS!
GOSH, THAT'S MY DAD -- AND HE'S STICKING UP FOR MR. BROWN!
SEE WHAT I MEAN?

LATER...
THAT'S THE SPIRIT, TOM! WORK FOR YOUR FATHER'S CANDIDATE ALL YOU WANT TO -- BUT DON'T TEAR DOWN THE OTHER GUY WITHOUT GIVING HIM A CHANCE TO SPEAK!
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SUPERMAN'S GIRL FRIEND LOIS LANE

CARRY ME OVER THE FIRE, SUPERMAN! I WANT A SPECTACULAR SHOT OF THIS FIVE-ALARM FIRE!
HAVE YOU EVER HEARD THE EXPRESSION... "BITING THE HAND THAT FEEDS YOU"? WELL, LOIS LANE, STAR REPORTER OF THE DAILY PLANET, BITTERLY LEARNS EVERY BIT OF THIS SAYING'S MEANING AS SHE CREATES A FEMALE "FRANKENSTEIN" RIGHT IN HER OWN PLANET OFFICE! YES, LOIS DISCOVERS THAT SOME PEOPLE REPAY KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY WITH A STAB IN THE BACK AS SHE HELPLESSLY WATCHES ANOTHER GIRL BECOME...
THE STAR REPORTER of METROPOLIS!
T-THERE GOES SUPERMAN AGAIN, HELPING THAT NEW REPORTER SCORE ANOTHER BIG SCOOP! BUT HE NEVER HELPS ME ANY MORE! GULP! WHAT HAS SHE GOT THAT I HAVEN'T GOT?

ONE DAY, AT THE DAILY PLANET, AS A FILM LOCATION UNIT ARRIVES FROM HOLLYWOOD..
WE MUST TAKE PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE PLANET OFFICE, MR. WHITE, SO THAT WE CAN DUPLICATE IT ON A MOVIE SET!
TAKE ALL THE PICTURES YOU LIKE, GENTLEMEN! I WANT THE DAILY PLANET STORY TO BE A BIG SUCCESS!

AS EDITOR PERRY WHITE TURNS TO LOIS LANE...
ISN'T IT EXCITING, LOIS? THE MOVIE PLOT IS BASED ON THE CAREERS OF REAL NEWSPAPER PEOPLE LIKE CLARK KENT, JIMMY OLSEN, YOURSELF AND... AHEM!... ME!
I'M THRILLED, PERRY! I UNDERSTAND THEY'LL ALSO TAKE OUR PICTURES FOR PUBLICITY PURPOSES!

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SHORTLY, AS THE FOUR REAL-LIFE STARS OF "THE DAILY PLANET STORY" POSE FOR A GROUP PICTURE...
HMM...ROCK HUDSON WILL PORTRAY CLARK KENT!
THEY SAY DWAYNE HICKMAN, STAR OF TV'S DOBIE GILLIS WILL ENACT JIMMY OLSEN ON THE SCREEN!
IMAGINE! CLARK GABLE WILL PLAY ME IN THE PICTURE!
I HEAR DOLLY DAY, HOLLYWOOD'S MOST BEAUTIFUL FILM STAR, WILL IMPERSONATE ME!

LATER THAT DAY, AS THE CAMERA CREW LEAVES...
THANKS, MR. WHITE! AS YOU KNOW, HALF THE FILM'S PROFITS WILL GO TO VARIOUS NEWSPAPER CHARITIES! AND OF COURSE, YOUR ENTIRE STAFF IS INVITED TO THE MOVIE PREMIERE!
WE'LL BE THERE WITH BELLS ON!

SOON AFTER, AS PERRY ASSIGNS LOIS TO WRITE AN ARTICLE ON MOVIE QUEEN, DOLLY DAY...
I'M FLATTERED SO GORGEOUS AN ACTRESS AS DOLLY DAY WILL DYE HER BLONDE HAIR TO PORTRAY LITTLE OLD ME! MAYBE IF I HAD HER LOOKS... SIGH! I'D BE MRS. SUPERMAN TODAY!
OVIE STARS
DOLLY DAY HOLLYWOOD'S BLONDE BOMBSHELL

A FEW DAYS LATER, IN PERRY WHITE'S OFFICE...
YOUR DOLLY DAY FEATURE STORY IS GREAT, LOIS! I'M PRINTING IT!... AND NOW, MISS, WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU!
ER... I'M MARY KENYON, FROM PINE BLUFF, IOWA! I'D LIKE A JOB AS A REPORTER! I BROUGHT ALONG SOME WRITING SAMPLES IN MY SCRAP BOOK!

PRESENTLY...
SORRY, MISS KENYON! THESE COLLEGE NEWSPAPER ARTICLES ARE AMATEUR-ISH! A PLANET REPORTER DEALS WITH BIG NEWS! PRISON BREAKS, FLOODS, MURDERS!
B-BUT IF YOU GAVE ME A CHANCE, I'D QUICKLY LEARN HOW TO BE A BIG-TIME REPORTER!

SORRY, I ONLY HIRE PEOPLE WITH PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE! NOW PLEASE EXCUSE ME! I'M A BUSY MAN! MISS LANE WILL SHOW YOU OUT!
POOR KID! PERRY'S HARD-BOILED ATTITUDE REMINDS ME OF THE TIME I FIRST APPLIED FOR A JOB! MAYBE I CAN HELP HER!

SOON, OUTSIDE...
LOOK, MARY, YOU CAN STILL LAND THAT JOB IF YOU PROVE YOUR WORTH TO PERRY! AN HOUR AGO, A FRIEND TIPPED ME OFF TO A BIG NEWS STORY! BUT I'LL GIVE YOU THE SCOOP!
GOSH, MISS LANE! YOU'RE WONDERFUL!
PERRY WHITE
EDITOR

SHORTLY, IN THE OBSERVATION TOWER OF THE METROPOLIS BUILDING...
WHILE I ATTACH THIS TELESCOPIC LENS TO MY POLAROID CAMERA LOWER THE TELESCOPE TO THE 25TH FLOOR OF THE HOTEL CROWN! SIXTH WINDOW FROM THE CORNER! WHAT DO YOU SEE?
HMMM...
HOTEL CROWN

GASP!! I SEE... A LOT OF MEN GAMBLING IN A SMOKE-FILLED ROOM!

RIGHT! THEY'RE THE BIGGEST GAMBLERS IN TOWN! NOW WHAT DO YOU SEE?
GOOD HEAVENS! THE POLICE ARE BREAKING INTO THE APARTMENT! THEY'RE RAIDING THE PLACE!

THAT WAS MY TIP! A POLICE OFFICIAL HAD PHONED ME THE RAID WOULD BE STAGED AT 11 A.M.! WE'RE GETTING AN EXCLUSIVE PICTURE OF THE RAID WHICH YOU CAN RUSH BACK TO THE PLANET AS YOUR SCOOP!
CLICK!

LATER, AS PERRY SEES THE PHOTOGRAPH...
GREAT CAESAR'S GHOST! I TAKE BACK EVERYTHING I SAID, MISS KENYON! YOU HAVE THE MAKINGS OF A GREAT REPORTER! YOU'RE HIRED... ER... AT MINIMUM PAY, OF COURSE!
THE SALARY ISN'T IMPORTANT, MR. WHITE! THANKS!
SOON AFTER...
I JUST GOT MY FIRST ASSIGNMENT... TO DO A STORY ON AN AUTHENTIC OLD SHOWBOAT THAT'S MOORED IN METROPOLIS HARBOR! HOW CAN I EVER REPAY YOU FOR HELPING ME, LOIS?
FORGET IT, MARY! GOOD LUCK ON YOUR ASSIGNMENT!
THAT AFTERNOON, AT THE WATERFRONT...
WELL, I HAVE ALL THE FACTS ON THIS SHOWBOAT! HMM... THERE'S A BOTTLE FLOATING IN THE WATER... WITH A PAPER INSIDE IT! I'VE HEARD OF SHIPWRECKED SAILORS WHO SEND OUT [illegible]H MESSAGES! JUST FOR FUN, I'LL RETRIEVE IT!
LULEBELLE
SHORTLY, AS MARY KENYON READS THE SCRAWLED MESSAGE INSIDE...
IT'S AN SOS FROM THOSE TWO MILLIONAIRE SPORTSMEN WHO VANISHED LAST YEAR IN THEIR PRIVATE PLANE OVER THE CARIBBEAN SEA! IF THIS ISN'T SOME IDIOT'S PRACTICAL JOKE, I'VE STUMBLED ACROSS THE NEWS STORY OF THE YEAR!
LATER, AT THE PLANET...
THIS IS AMAZING, MARY! LOIS LANE WORKED ON THIS CASE FOR MONTHS, RUNNING DOWN CLUES, AND ENDED UP MARKING THE CASE: UNSOLVED!
I WON'T BELITTLE MARY'S DISCOVERY, CHIEF... BUT HOW DO WE KNOW THIS MESSAGE ISN'T A HOAX?
THE MISSING MEN GIVE THE LOCATION OF THEIR UNCHARTED ISLAND! I'LL SEND OUT AN ALARM FOR SUPERMAN TO SEARCH THE AREA! WE'LL LEARN IF IT'S A FALSE ALARM WHEN SUPERMAN RETURNS!
HMM... THIS IS MY CUE TO SNEAK AWAY, SWITCH TO SUPERMAN, AND FIND THOSE MEN!

A FEW MINUTES AFTER, AS THE MAN OF STEEL FLIES AT SUPER-SPEED TO THE DESCRIBED SPOT...
LOOK! IT'S SUPERMAN! WE'RE SAVED!
HMM... THIS BLASTS LOIS' THEORY THAT THE FLIERS DROWNED IN A PLANE CRASH AT SEA! SHE'LL BE TERRIBLY EMBARRASSED AT BEING PROVEN WRONG!
SOON, AT THE PLANET OFFICE...
HERE'S A $200 BONUS, MARY! YOU GAVE THE PAPER A SCOOP THAT'LL BOOST OUR CIRCULATION!
HMM... I HOPE LOIS IS A GOOD SPORT! MARY KENYON'S SCOOPS ARE MAKING LOIS LOOK LIKE A CUB REPORTER!
LATER, AS SUPERMAN SWITCHES BACK TO CLARK KENT AND MEETS LOIS IN THE PLANET REFRESHMENT LOUNGE...
ISN'T IT FUNNY, CLARK? THE GIRL I HELPED GET HER JOB HERE TOPPED ME! BUT SHE'S JUST ENJOYING BEGINNER'S LUCK! I'M NOT REALLY WORRIED THAT SHE CAN KEEP OUTDOING ME!
NOT MUCH!
SEVERAL DAYS AFTER, AS MARY KENYON COVERS A FIVE-ALARM FIRE...
I MUST GET CLOSE TO THE BUILDING! I WANT A VERY EXCITING PICTURE OF THE BLAZE!
RRRRRR
GET BACK, MISS! THAT WALL IS COLLAPSING!
AS THE FLAMING STRUCTURE CRUMBLES, A RED-CAPED FIGURE STREAKS DOWN...
GASP! IT'S SUPERMAN! SHE'D BE UNDER THAT FIERY WALL NOW IF HE HADN'T RESCUED HER!
THAT WAS A RASH STUNT, MISS KENYON! YOU'RE ALMOST AS RECKLESS AS LOIS LANE WHEN YOU'RE AFTER A SCOOP!
WHOOOSHHH
THAT NIGHT, AS LOIS WATCHES THE TV NEWS AT HER SISTER LUCY'S APARTMENT...
AND NOW THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS HONORED TO PRESENT ITS MONTHLY AWARD FOR COURAGE TO THE DAILY PLANET'S STAR REPORTER, MARY KENYON!
HEY, LOIS! THEY CALLED HER THE STAR REPORTER! AREN'T YOU THE PLANET'S STAR NEWSHAWK?
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SURE I AM! THAT LITTLE FOOL IS MORE FORTUNATE THAN LADY LUCK! SHE CAME AWAY WITH A SENSATIONAL PICTURE OF THAT FIRE... THANKS TO SUPERMAN'S RESCUE! EVERYBODY THINKS SHE'S TERRIFIC, BUT I CALL IT DUMB LUCK!
DAILY PLANET
PLANET REPORTER MARY KENYON'S DEATH-DEFYING, EYE-WITNESS ACCOUNT OF BIG WAREHOUSE FIRE!

IT'S A FUNNY THING, THOUGH! SUPERMAN TURNED UP SO PROMPTLY... IT'S ALMOST AS IF HE WERE KEEPING HIS EYE ON HER! GOODNESS, LUCY, DO YOU SUPPOSE SUPERMAN MIGHT FAVOR THAT NEWCOMER OVER ME?
NONSENSE, LOIS! WHEN IT COUNTS, SUPERMAN WILL BE IN YOUR CORNER! HE'S NEVER LET YOU DOWN YET!

IN THE DAYS THAT FOLLOW, HOWEVER, THE TEAM OF MARY KENYON AND SUPERMAN CONTINUE TO MAKE HEADLINE NEWS...
AGAIN SUPERMAN SHOWS UP IN THE NICK OF TIME TO SAVE THAT AMATEUR!
DAILY PLANET
SUPERMAN SAVES PLANET NEWS-PAPERWOMAN MARY KENYON FROM DROWNING IN FLASH FLOOD UP-STATE AS SANDBAG DIKE COL-LAPSES BENEATH ACE REPORTER

TOP STORY ASSIGNMENTS THAT PERRY USED TO GIVE LOIS, ARE NOW HANDED TO MARY KENYON...
SORRY, LOIS! MARY IS PARTICULARLY HOT RIGHT NOW, AND THIS TUNNEL STORY WILL PROBABLY BE HANDLED BETTER BY HER!
WHATEVER YOU SAY, CHIEF!
GROAN! I'M ON THE SKIDS! PERRY NOW THINKS SHE'S A BETTER REPORTER THAN I AM!

AND AS MARY KENYON COVERS THE DIGGING OF A NEW RAILWAY TERMINAL TUNNEL UNDER METROPOLIS...
CRACKK
NO WE WON'T! SUPERMAN HAS A HABIT OF SHOWING UP WHENEVER I'M IN TROUBLE!
GASP! IT'S A CAVE-IN! WE'LL BE BURIED ALIVE!
R-R-R-R-R

THE NEXT MOMENT...
DON'T WORRY, MEN! I'LL SHORE UP THE FALLEN ROOF! THEN I'LL GOUGE OUT AN EXIT TUNNEL FOR YOU!
SEE WHAT I MEAN? SUPERMAN NEVER LETS ME DOWN!
BRAMM

AT THE PLANET, LATER...
AND YOU EVEN TOOK PICTURES OF SUPERMAN LEADING EVERYONE TO SAFETY! THAT'S WONDERFUL, MARY! EVERYTHING YOU DO IS FRONT-PAGE STUFF!
I'LL SAY! THAT DAME IS SHOVING ME RIGHT OFF THE FRONT PAGE!
ER...LOOK, SUPERMAN! YOU NEVER SEEM TO HELP ME ANY MORE! WHY DO YOU KEEP HELPING MARY?
GOODNESS, LOIS... I'D HELP ANY-BODY WHO'S IN A JAM! IT'S JUST THAT YOU DON'T SEEM TO GET INTO TIGHT SPOTS LATELY!
HE'S TELLING ME! OF COURSE I DON'T GET THE JUICY ASSIGNMENTS ANY MORE! PERRY GIVES ALL THE DANGEROUS HEADLINE STORIES TO THAT SCHOOLGIRL! AND TO THINK THAT I CREATED THIS RIVAL BY TRICKING PERRY INTO GIVING HER A JOB! NOW SHE'S TAKING MY JOB AWAY FROM ME!
BUT THAT AFTERNOON...
WHY ALL THE EXCITEMENT, CLARK?
THERE'S A MAN STANDING ON A LEDGE! A CHEMICAL LAB EXPLOSION ON HIS FLOOR STARTED A SMALL FIRE AND HE BECAME PANICKY! PERRY'S IN HIS OFFICE NOW, PHONING THE RADIO STATION TO SEND OUT AN SOS FOR SUPERMAN!
FIRE EXTINGUISHERS PUT OUT THE BLAZE, BUT HE'S STILL TOO DAZED TO LISTEN TO ANYBODY! HE MIGHT JUMP OR FALL ANY SECOND!
I MUST SWITCH TO SUPERMAN AND PRETEND I HEARD THE RADIO SOS! BUT NATURALLY, IF HE JUMPS BEFORE I CAN SNEAK OFF AND CHANGE INTO MY COSTUME, I'LL HAVE TO RESCUE HIM AS CLARK KENT!
PERRY'S RIGHT NEXT TO ME! THIS IS MY CHANCE TO PROVE THAT I'M STILL A STAR REPORTER!
ONE SIDE, FOLKS! I'LL USE PSYCHOLOGY TO TALK THAT MAN OUT OF JUMPING! LISTEN, FRIEND! THERE'S NO NEED TO JUMP! YOU'RE IN NO DANGER!

BUT AS THE MAN BECOMES MORE NERVOUS...
HE'S REACTING BADLY TO EVERYTHING YOU SAY, LOIS! LET MARY COMMUNICATE WITH HIM! SHE THINKS SHE CAN CALM HIM!
THE CONNIVING CAT! AGAIN SHE'S TRYING TO SHOW ME UP IN FRONT OF PERRY!
BUT INSTEAD OF SPEAKING, MARY KENYON MAKES SOME STRANGE GESTURES WITH HER HANDS...
I'M USING DEAF AND DUMB LANGUAGE TO TELL HIM NOT TO JUMP! I'M TELLING HIM THAT WE'VE SENT OUT AN ALARM FOR SUPERMAN!
;GASP!; HE'S RELAXING! HE UNDERSTANDS YOUR SIGNALS! HOW COME?
BECAUSE HE'S A DEAF MUTE! HE BECAME PANICKY BECAUSE HE COULDN'T HEAR OR ANSWER ANYBODY! LUCKILY, YESTERDAY I NOTICED THE DEAF AND DUMB INSTITUTE LETTERING ON THE WINDOWS OF THE OFFICES OUTSIDE WHICH HE'S NOW STANDING!
DEAF & DUMB INSTITUTE FOR LEARNING
PRESENTLY, AFTER SUPERMAN RESCUES THE MAN...
ISN'T MARY TERRIFIC? SHE KNOWS THE DEAF AND DUMB SIGN LANGUAGE BECAUSE SHE ONCE HAPPENED TO BE AROUND DEAF MUTES!
THAT DID IT! SHE PROVED SHE'S SMARTER THAN I AM! I'VE BEEN OUTSCOOPED AND OUTMANEUVERED! I'LL CLEAN OUT MY DESK, FIND MYSELF ANOTHER JOB, AND...
BRRNGG
AS LOIS SADLY ANSWERS HER PHONE FOR THE LAST TIME...
MISS LANE? THIS CALL CONCERNS "BAD MAN" BRENT, PUBLIC ENEMY NUMBER ONE! I HATE BRENT AND WANT HIM JAILED! SO I'LL TELL YOU WHERE HE'S HIDING OUT!
THIS IS WHERE I MAKE HEADLINES AGAIN! I'LL BRING IN THE COUNTRY'S TOP CRIMINAL MYSELF! THAT'LL PROVE I'M TEN TIMES THE REPORTER MARY IS!
LATER, AS LOIS STEALTHILY ENTERS AN ABANDONED WATERFRONT BUILDING...
OKAY, BRENT! I KNOW WHO YOU ARE AND YOU'RE TRAPPED! PULL ANY TRICKS AND I FIRE!
WITH WHAT, LADY? THAT WATER PISTOL? YOUR TOY GUN HAS A TINY SQUIRT HOLE IN IT, NOT A REAL BARREL!
BZZZZ..
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GASP! Y-YOU RELEASED A TRAP-DOOR! I'M FALLING! OHHHH...
CLICK!
RIGHT, BABY! AND IN A FEW MINUTES I'LL FLOOD THAT STONE CELL UP TO ITS CEILING! YOU'LL DROWN LIKE A RAT!

A MINUTE LATER...
SUPERMAN! HELP ME! SUPERMAN!
SUPERMAN DON'T HEAR YOU, BABY! NOBODY CAN! I TURNED ALL THE WATER VALVES ON, FULL FORCE! THE WATER WILL SOON BE OVER YOUR EYES! BYE, SISTER!
SPLASH!

AND AS THE WATER LEVEL RISES HIGHER AND HIGHER...
SUPERMAN! SOB! ...HELP ME! I-I'M DROWNING!
IT'S NO USE! SUPERMAN HAS DESERTED ME! HE DOESN'T KEEP AN EYE ON ME ANY MORE! SOB! HE ONLY HAS EYES FOR MARY KENYON!
SPLASH!

SUDDENLY...
SUPERMAN! Y-YOU DID COME! GASP! YOU DIDN'T FORGET ME!
OF COURSE NOT, LOIS! I HAD BEEN KEEPING AN EYE ON YOU, AND SPOTTED YOUR DANGER WITH MY SUPER-VISION! AFTER I TURN "BAD MAN" BRENT OVER TO THE POLICE, I HAVE A SURPRISE FOR YOU!
CRASH!

LATER, IN LOIS' APARTMENT...
LOIS, MEET DOLLY DAY, THE FAMOUS ACTRESS!
DOLLY DAY? WHERE?
WAIT TILL I REMOVE MY GLASSES, WIG, AND MAKEUP! YOU SEE, LOIS, TO PREPARE FOR MY LOIS LANE MOVIE ROLE, I WANTED THREE WEEKS OF EXPERIENCE AS A REAL REPORTER! AND SO I'D BE TREATED LIKE EVERYONE ELSE, NOT EVEN PERRY WHITE WAS TO KNOW I WAS REALLY A MOVIE STAR!

PRESENTLY, AFTER DOLLY DAY COMPLETES HER TRANSFORMATION...
DOLLY'S STUDIO ASKED ME TO LOOK AFTER HER, SINCE HER INEXPERIENCE MIGHT HAVE GOTTEN HER INTO TROUBLE! SHE KEPT MAKING MISTAKES! THAT'S WHY I WAS OFTEN KEPT BUSY RESCUING HER!
T-THEN MARY... I MEAN DOLLY... YOU WERE NOT TRYING TO BECOME A STAR REPORTER?
OF COURSE NOT, DARLING! THERE'S ONLY ONE STAR REPORTER ON THE PLANET... LOIS LANE!
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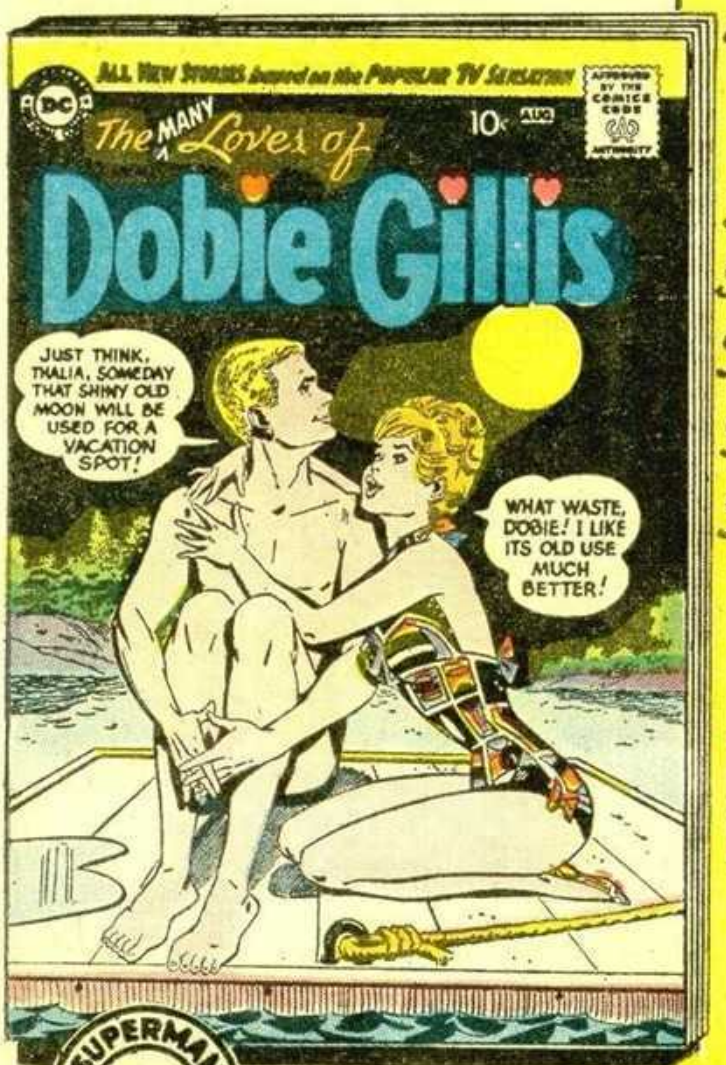
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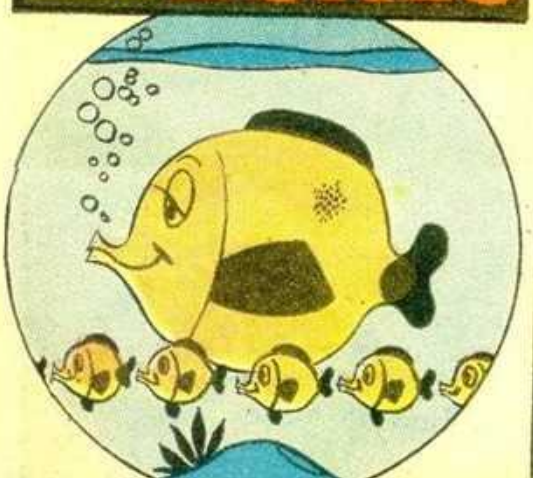

THE NAMES OF (7) FISH ARE HIDDEN IN THE BOXES. WITH YOUR PENCIL, DRAW A CONTINUOUS LINE, CONNECTING THE LETTERS OF EACH NAME YOU ARE HUNTING FOR. YOU MAY GO UP OR DOWN, RIGHT OR LEFT. EACH NAME YOU'RE SEEKING BEGINS WITH A WHITE LETTER. HOW MANY CAN YOU FIND?

can you find (7) FISH

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SUPERMAN'S GIRL FRIEND LOIS LANE

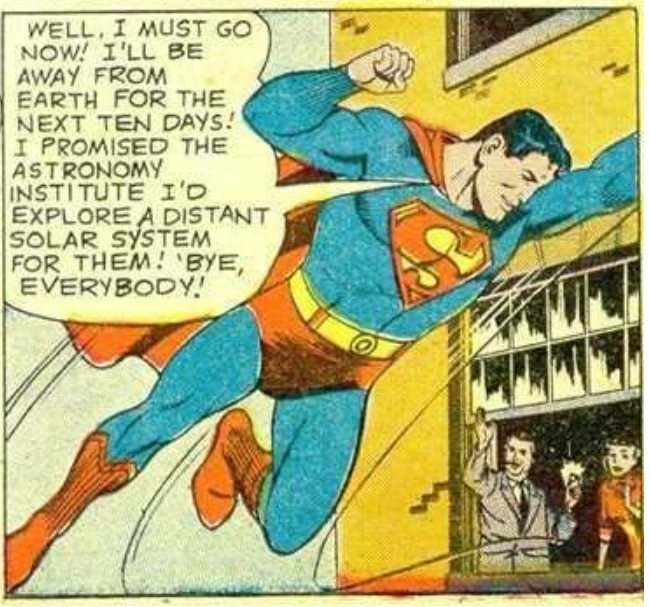
OUR RECKLESS, IMPULSIVE LOIS FACES THE GREATEST ORDEAL OF HER LIFE, WHEN SHE STRUGGLES TO STAY AWAKE LONGER THAN ANY OTHER HUMAN BEING IN HISTORY! NOT FOR ONE SECOND CAN LOIS CLOSE HER WEARY EYES IN SLEEP, BECAUSE IF SHE DOES, SHE KNOWS THAT THE WORLD WILL BE STRUCK BY DISASTER! EVERY INCH OF POOR LOIS' ACHING BODY CRIES OUT FOR REST, BUT SHE DARES NOT DOZE OFF LEST THE ENTIRE EARTH BECOMES THE VICTIM OF..

THE SLEEPING DOOM!

;GULP!ε I MUST DRINK COFFEE! I MUST STAY AWAKE!... ;YAWN!ε... I'VE GONE NINE DAYS WITHOUT SLEEP!... ;YAWN!ε... BUT I MUST CONTINUE TO STAY AWAKE OR THE WHOLE WORLD IS DOOMED!
To Lois as ever Superman

ONE DAY, IN **METROPOLIS**, AS **SUPERMAN** VISITS EDITOR PERRY WHITE IN HIS OFFICE...

PERRY, I BROUGHT YOU THIS JEWEL FROM OUTER SPACE! IT'S HEAVY ENOUGH TO USE AS A PAPER WEIGHT FOR YOUR DESK!
THANKS, SUPERMAN! IT'S BEAUTIFUL!


WELL, I MUST GO NOW! I'LL BE AWAY FROM EARTH FOR THE NEXT TEN DAYS! I PROMISED THE ASTRONOMY INSTITUTE I'D EXPLORE A DISTANT SOLAR SYSTEM FOR THEM! 'BYE, EVERYBODY!

HE'S FLYING INTO SPACE! SIGH! I'LL NEVER STOP MARVELING ABOUT SUPERMAN! NO MATTER HOW MUCH I PRAISE HIM, WORDS CAN'T EXPRESS HIS TRUE GREATNESS!
SPOKEN LIKE A GIRL IN LOVE!... GASP!... GREAT CAESAR'S GHOST! I DROPPED THE JEWEL!
CRACKK

IT SPLIT INTO THREE PARTS! WHAT A SHAME!
NOT AT ALL, LOIS! NOW WE'VE GOT THREE BEAUTIFUL GEMS! LET'S MAKE USE OF THEM! I'LL GIVE EACH OF YOU A PIECE!

SOON, AS PERRY WHITE DISTRIBUTES THE THREE GEMS...

I KNOW A JEWELER WHO CAN MOUNT ALL THREE JEWELS THIS AFTERNOON! THEN LOIS WILL HAVE A GORGEOUS LAPEL PIN! JIMMY WILL HAVE A STRIKING ORNAMENT FOR HIS WATCH STRAP AND I'LL HAVE A BEAUTIFUL STICKPIN!

THAT EVENING, AS PERRY WHITE ATTENDS A POLITICAL BANQUET...

AND SO, MY FRIENDS, IF YOU ELECT ME MAYOR OF METROPOLIS, I PROMISE YOU...
GOSH! THAT POLITICIAN IS A BORING AFTER-DINNER SPEAKER! HE'S PUTTING ME TO SLEEP! I CAN HARDLY KEEP MY EYES OPEN! YAWN!...

BUT AS PERRY'S EYELIDS FINALLY CLOSE AND HE DOZES OFF...

HE'S FALLEN ASLEEP! NOW WE CAN TAKE OVER PERRY WHITE'S IDENTITY! LET'S HOPE OUR COMRADES INSIDE THE OTHER TWO PARTS OF THE ORIGINAL JEWEL ARE AS SUCCESSFUL AS WE ARE WITH JIMMY OLSEN AND LOIS LANE!
ZZZZZZZZZ

HOWEVER, LATER, AT JIMMY OLSEN'S APARTMENT...

AS SOON AS THIS EARTH CREATURE FALLS ASLEEP, WE CAN POSSESS HIS BODY!
DARN IT! I WANT TO SLEEP BUT I CAN'T! HMM... MAYBE I CAN PUT MYSELF TO SLEEP NOT BY COUNTING SHEEP, BUT BY COUNTING UP THE VARIOUS SUPER-FEATS SUPERMAN IS CAPABLE OF!

ONE, SUPERMAN CAN LIFT THE EIFFEL TOWER WITH HIS PINKY!
TWO, SUPERMAN CAN STREAK THROUGH THE TIME BARRIER AND FIGHT A HERD OF DINOSAURS!
THREE, IN A SPLIT-SECOND, SUPERMAN CAN TUNNEL HIS WAY UNDER THE PACIFIC OCEAN!
FOUR...

THUS, BY THE TIME JIMMY REACHES NUMBER 99, HE IS FAST ASLEEP, AND...
ZZZZZZZ
HE'S FALLEN ASLEEP! NOW OUR ALIEN FORCE CAN OCCUPY JIMMY OLSEN'S BODY! WE WERE LUCKY THAT THE JEWEL SPLIT INTO THREE PARTS! BECAUSE THIS VERY NIGHT WE'LL BE ABLE TO TAKE OVER THREE HUMAN BEINGS!

MOMENTS LATER, AS AN ALIEN-CONTROLLED JIMMY OLSEN ARISES...
THE EARTH WILL BECOME OUR NEW EMPIRE IF WE KEEP SPLINTERING THE PARTS OF THE ORIGINAL JEWEL INTO TINIER FRAGMENTS AND TRICK HUMANS INTO LETTING THE PIECES COME INTO GLOWING CONTACT WITH THEIR BODIES!

EACH FRAGMENT OF THE JEWEL CAN BE SPLIT AND RE-SPLIT INTO COUNTLESS MICROSCOPIC SPECKS! THEN MILLIONS OF OUR INVADERS CAN OCCUPY THE BODIES OF FOOLISH HUMANS WHO FALL ASLEEP WHILE IN CONTACT WITH EACH SPECK! THUS WE WILL REPLACE THE HUMAN RACE!

MEANWHILE, AT LOIS LANE'S APARTMENT...
HUMANS USUALLY SLUMBER AFTER A HARD DAY'S WORK! WE'LL TAKE OVER LOIS LANE'S IDENTITY THE MOMENT SHE GOES TO SLEEP!
HMM... THIS RUSH ARTICLE LOOKS LIKE AN ALL-NIGHT JOB! EVEN IF I HAVE TO STAY AWAKE ALL NIGHT, I MUST HAVE IT READY FOR PERRY BY TOMORROW MORNING!

THE NEXT MORNING, AT PERRY WHITE'S OFFICE...
HERE, PERRY! I STAYED UP ALL NIGHT, BUT I FINISHED THE SUPERMAN ARTICLE FOR THE PLANET SUNDAY EDITION!
BLAST IT! SHE DIDN'T GO TO SLEEP LAST NIGHT! I MUST TRICK HER INTO FALLING ASLEEP!
ER... GOOD WORK, LOIS! NOW TAKE THE DAY OFF, GO HOME, AND GET TO BED!
SHE MUST FALL ASLEEP OR THE FORCES INSIDE HER JEWELED PIN CAN'T TAKE OVER HER IDENTITY!
THANKS, PERRY! I AM RATHER TIRED! SEE YOU TOMORROW!
BUT AS LOIS LEAVES...
OH-OH! I FORGOT TO ASK PERRY WHITE WHAT SUPERMAN PHOTOGRAPH TO USE WITH THE ARTICLE!
DON'T SCOWL, KZGA! WE'LL SOON REPLACE THE EARTH'S POPULATION BY SPREADING OUR NUMBERS, TAKING OVER EACH HUMAN, ONE BY ONE!
PERRY WHITE
EDITOR
AS LOIS PAUSES, STARTLED, AT THE DOOR...
EVENTUALLY WE'LL OCCUPY THE WORLD BY ASSUMING EACH PERSON'S IDENTITY AS HE FALLS ASLEEP! LAST NIGHT MY TASK FORCE AND I OCCUPIED PERRY WHITE'S BODY WHILE YOUR GROUP TOOK OVER JIMMY OLSEN'S BODY! NOW LOIS LANE WILL BE TAKEN OVER!
THE SECOND SHE FALLS ASLEEP, OUR COMRADES FROM SPACE WILL SEIZE HER IDENTITY AND LOIS LANE WILL NO LONGER EXIST!
MAYBE I'M SO SLEEPY, I'M "HEARING" THINGS! BUT IF I'M NOT, I'D BETTER TEST PERRY AND JIMMY TO SEE IF THEY'VE REALLY TURNED INTO ALIENS!
Y WHITE
EDITOR
SHORTLY, IN THE PLANET'S PHOTOGRAPHY LIBRARY...
THIS PHOTO OF SUPERMAN BATTLING A MONSTER FROM THE CENTER OF THE EARTH WAS TAKEN BY PERRY HIMSELF FIVE YEARS AGO! I'LL SEE IF PERRY REMEMBERS IT!
SUPERMAN PHOTOGRAPHS
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PRESENTLY, IN PERRY'S OFFICE...
BY THE WAY, PERRY, I'M RUNNING THIS PICTURE WITH THE SUNDAY ARTICLE! YOU REMEMBER WHO TOOK THIS PICTURE, DON'T YOU?
UH... OH, SURE! IT WAS TAKEN BY... ER... ONE OF OUR PHOTOGRAPHERS! USE IT BY ALL MEANS AND DO GO HOME AND GET SOME SLEEP!
LATER, AS LOIS LEAVES THE PLANET BUILDING...
HE DIDN'T RECOGNIZE THE PICTURE! NOW I KNOW THEY'RE PHONIES! ALIENS WHO'VE SECRETLY TAKEN OVER PERRY AND JIMMY'S BODIES! BUT IT WON'T HAPPEN TO ME! I WON'T FALL ASLEEP! I'LL STAY AWAKE TILL SUPERMAN RETURNS FROM OUTER SPACE!
THAT EVENING, AS LOIS' SISTER, LUCY LANE, PREPARES TO RETIRE...
THANKS FOR LETTING ME MOVE IN WITH YOU WHILE MY APARTMENT'S BEING PAINTED! BUT AREN'T YOU COMING TO BED, TOO, LOIS?
NOT YET, LUCY! I... ER... FEEL LIKE READING!
SHORTLY AFTER...
SLAPP! SLAPP!
I CAN'T TELL LUCY ABOUT THE ALIENS! SHE'D NEVER BELIEVE ME! ONLY SUPERMAN WOULD! TILL HE RETURNS IN ABOUT TEN DAYS, I MUST HOLD OUT BY FIGURING OUT WAYS TO KEEP MYSELF AWAKE... LIKE SLAPPING MY FACE!
HOWEVER, A FEW DAYS LATER, AS LOIS FINDS IT INCREASINGLY HARDER TO RESIST SLEEP...
I HEARD OF SOMEBODY WHO ONCE STAYED AWAKE FOR A WEEK! IF I DRINK POTS OF COFFEE, MAYBE I CAN SET A NEW WORLD'S RECORD FOR SLEEPLESSNESS
SLURRP
SLURRP
COFFEE
BUT AT MIDNIGHT...
THE COFFEE DIDN'T WORK! I'M STILL SLEEPY! I'LL WATCH THE LATE SHOW ON TV! THEY'VE GOT A CREEPY MONSTER FILM THAT'LL MAKE ME TOO NERVOUS TO SLEEP!
WARRGGHH!
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AND AS LOIS WATCHES THE LATE SHOW... THEN THE LATE, LATE SHOW...
HA! HA! THIS SLAPSTICK COMEDY IS FUNNY, BUT...YAWN!I'M STILL FALLING ASLEEP! I'D BETTER RIG UP A SAFETY DEVICE TO KEEP ME AWAKE SHOULD I ACCIDENTALLY DOZE OFF!
SQUOOOSHH

THUS, TWO HOURS LATER, AS LOIS' HEAD SLEEPILY DROOPS...
YIIII!
MY CONTRAPTION WORKS! IF MY HEAD SINKS DROWSILY, A CORD PULLS THE PAIL DOWN, AWAKENING ME WITH COLD WATER! I MUST FILL THE PAIL AGAIN FOR THE LATE, LATE, LATE SHOW!
SPLASHH!

NEXT DAY, IN PERRY WHITE'S OFFICE...
THAT LOIS EARTHLING IS STILL AWAKE! WHY WON'T SHE SLEEP?
WE'LL WAIT AND SEE! MEANWHILE, I'LL FRACTURE OUR JEWELS WITH THIS DIAMOND-CUTTER! WE'LL DISTRIBUTE THE PIECES AS SOUVENIR RINGS AT NEXT WEEK'S ANNUAL PLANET DINNER!

WHEN THE NEW VICTIMS FALL ASLEEP, OUR FORCES INSIDE THE LITTLE STONES WILL TAKE OVER THEIR BODIES!
GOOD! THEN WE'LL SEND OUR REPORTERS AROUND THE WORLD, WHERE THEY'LL DISTRIBUTE EVEN TINIER PIECES TO OTHER PEOPLE, THUS MULTIPLYING OUR RACE!

LATER THAT DAY, AS LOIS GETS A TOOTHACHE AND GOES TO HER DENTIST...
YOUR TOOTH MUST COME OUT, MISS LANE! BUT YOU WON'T SUFFER ANY PAIN! I'LL GIVE YOU SLEEPING GAS!
SLEEPING GAS? OH, NO! NO! I MUSTN'T SLEEP! LET ME OUT OF HERE!

ON SECOND THOUGHT, I WON'T HAVE THE TOOTH PULLED AT ALL! I WANT IT TO HURT ME! I NEED THE PAIN TO KEEP ME AWAKE! 'BYE, DOCTOR!
NURSE, THAT GIRL'S CRAZY! SHE WANTS THE TOOTH TO HURT HER! SHE NEEDS A PSYCHIATRIST, NOT A DENTIST!
DENTIST

THAT EVENING AS LOIS, WRITHING IN PAIN, PACES HER APARTMENT...
OHHH! HOW WONDERFUL THIS PAIN IS! :GROAN: MY HEAD FEELS LIKE IT'S COMING OFF! BUT THE PAIN IS MAKING ME STAY AWAKE ANOTHER DAY! YEEEOOWW! OHHH!
THE NEXT DAY, WHEN THE PAIN EBBS, LOIS REPORTS FOR WORK...
HELLO, MISS LANE! I'M "SLINKY" SAM, THE REFORMED PICKPOCKET! YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO INTERVIEW ME!
FORGIVE ME, SAM! BUT I'M JUST NOT UP TO IT TODAY! I'LL SEE YOU TOMORROW!
LATER, IN THE PLANET'S OWN GYMNASIUM, USED BY ITS STAFF...
I'M HALF-DEAD! BUT IF I DON'T KEEP MOVING, I'LL FALL ASLEEP! IF I HAVE TO WALK 1,000 MILES ON THIS TREADMILL ... :YAWN!: ...I MUST STAY AWAKE TILL SUPERMAN RETURNS!
NEXT MORNING AT THE OFFICE...
I'M CONVINCED LOIS IS FAKING HER INSOMNIA. SO WE MUST PUT HER TO SLEEP!
RIGHT! ONE THIRD OF OUR INVADING FORCE IS BEING WASTED INSIDE HER JEWEL! I'LL INVITE HER TO LUNCH AND DRUG HER COFFEE!
AN HOUR LATER, AT A PENTHOUSE RESTAURANT...
PERRY WILL BE ANGRY! I SHOULD BE INTERVIEWING "SLINKY" SAM, THE NOTORIOUS PICKPOCKET!
OH, THAT CAN WAIT! AS FOR PERRY, THIS LUNCH WAS HIS IDEA! IT'S "ON" THE PLANET! LOOK, HERE COME OUR FLAMING CREPE SUZETTES!
WHILE LOIS' HEAD IS TURNED, I'LL DROP A FEW SLEEPING TABLETS INTO HER COFFEE!
I'M WATCHING HIM OUT OF THE CORNER OF MY EYE! TWO CAN PLAY AT THIS GAME!

LOOK, JIMMY! ISN'T THAT PERRY?
W-WHERE?
WHILE HIS HEAD'S TURNED, I'LL SWITCH THE CUPS AROUND, GIVING JIMMY THE DRUGGED COFFEE!
SORRY, JIMMY! IT WAS SOMEONE WHO RESEMBLED PERRY!
SHORTLY AFTER, HOWEVER...
MY FRIEND SUDDENLY BECAME SLEEPY, WAITER! PLEASE GIVE HIM THE CHECK WHEN HE WAKES UP!
ZZZ Z ZZZZZZ
NOW I'LL KEEP MY APPOINTMENT WITH "SLINKY" SAM, THE PICK-POCKET WHO WAS JUST RELEASED FROM PRISON!
SHORTLY, AT THE PLANET...
TELL ME, "SLINKY"...DID YOUR YEARS IN PRISON DESTROY YOUR SLEIGHT-OF-HAND TECHNIQUE?
HECK, NO, MISS LANE! BUT I LEARNED MY LESSON! TELL ALL YOUR READERS THAT "SLINKY" SAM, THE PICKPOCKET, HAS GONE STRAIGHT FOR GOOD!
LATER THAT DAY, AS PERRY WHITE SENDS FOR LOIS...
WE MUST PHOTOGRAPH A RUSH AD FOR OUR "SLEEPING BEAUTY MATTRESS" ACCOUNT, BUT THE MODEL DIDN'T SHOW UP! SO YOU'LL SUBSTITUTE FOR HER, LOIS!
SHE'S SO EXHAUSTED, SHE'LL FALL ASLEEP THE SECOND SHE LIES DOWN!
THE DEVILS! IT'S A TRICK! THEY KNOW I'M DYING TO LIE DOWN... AFTER NINE DAYS WITHOUT SLEEP!
YOU SEEM TO BE RELUCTANT! IS THERE ANY REASON, MY DEAR, WHY YOU HESITATE TO LIE DOWN FOR A MOMENT?
NO! N-NO!
I CAN'T REVEAL MY SUSPICIONS! THEY MIGHT TRY TO DO SOMETHING MORE DESPERATE TO PUT ME TO SLEEP! I-I'LL TRY TO RESIST SLEEP!
THAT'S IT, LOIS! JUST RELAX! EVERYTHING'S GOING TO BE ALL RIGHT!
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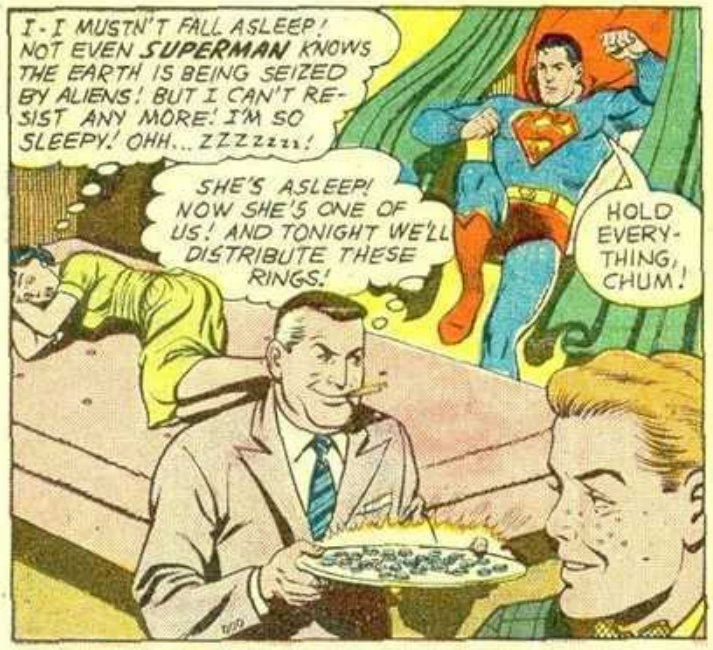
I-I MUSTN'T FALL ASLEEP! NOT EVEN SUPERMAN KNOWS THE EARTH IS BEING SEIZED BY ALIENS! BUT I CAN'T RESIST ANY MORE! I'M SO SLEEPY! OHH... ZZZzzzz!
SHE'S ASLEEP! NOW SHE'S ONE OF US! AND TONIGHT WE'LL DISTRIBUTE THESE RINGS!
HOLD EVERYTHING, CHUM!

SOON, AS SUPERMAN AWAKENS LOIS...
;GASP!= YOU'RE BACK! OH, SUPERMAN, YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON HERE!
BUT I DO, LOIS! ON MY SPACE TRIP, I FOUND INSCRIPTIONS ON THE MOUNTAIN-SIDE OF A DEAD WORLD, WHICH I TRANSLATED WITH MY SUPER-INTELLIGENCE!

THEY WARNED ME THAT AN EVIL FORCE EMANATING FROM A SPACE JEWEL SIMILAR TO THE ONE I GAVE PERRY HAD DESTROYED THEIR RACE! I JUST ANALYZED THE JEWEL WITH MY MICROSCOPIC VISION! BY TRANSMITTING MY X-RAY VISION AT A CERTAIN HEAT-FREQUENCY...
WHHHZZ

...IT'LL MELT EVERY FRAGMENT OF THE JEWEL AND NOTHING ELSE! IN SPINNING AROUND AT SUPER-SPEED, I'LL MELT EVERY EXISTING SPECK OF IT IN THE AREA, DESTROYING, AT THE SAME TIME, THE EVIL FORCES WITHIN!
PUFF! PUFF! PUFF!

PRESENTLY...
BUT I FELL ASLEEP! MY IDENTITY SHOULD'VE BEEN TAKEN OVER BY THE ALIENS! WHY WASN'T IT?
PARDON ME, MISS LANE! I CAME TO RETURN THE PIN I SECRETLY SWIPED FROM YOU TO PROVE I HADN'T LOST MY PICKPOCKETING SKILL! BUT NOW THE JEWEL'S MISSING!

THERE'S YOUR ANSWER, LOIS! YOU WEREN'T WEARING THE JEWEL WHEN YOU DOZED OFF! NOW HOW'D YOU LIKE TO SLEEP IN MY ARMS WHILE I FLY YOU HOME?
HOW WOULD I LIKE PARADISE? I COULD STAY IN YOUR ARMS FOREVER, ASLEEP OR AWAKE!
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The End

Shorty
I'LL FILL UP THE TUB FOR A NICE HOT BATH!
LATER
THE TUB SHOULD BE FILLED BY NOW!
HMM - THE PHONE ALWAYS SEEMS TO RING WHEN I'M IN THE TUB!
IDEA!
BE BACK IN 15 MINUTES
END

COMING...

JULY SUPERBOY COMICS ON SALE MAY 19th
Featuring "The WAR AGAINST SUPERBOY!"
A Great 3-Part Novel!
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Also: SEE JIMMY S-T-R-E-T-C-H AS HE PERFORMS "ELASTIC LAD'S Greatest Feats!"

SUPER-ATTRACTIONS!

Dear Editor: I enjoy your fantastic stories about Lois Lane. Would it be possible to publish stories about Lois when she was a teen-ager? Personally, I think it would be very exciting.

Brenda Monroe, Jamaica, N. Y.

(Stories of Lois Lane's girlhood appear occasionally in SUPERBOY COMICS, and in ADVENTURE COMICS.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: In your February issue of LOIS LANE, in which you feature "The Super-Family of Steel," you depict Lois's double falling off a ship. In the next picture, SUPERMAN's double rescued her. Lois's double's hair, in one picture, was a mess, wet and straight. Yet in the very next panel you show her hair which looks as if she had just stepped out of a beauty parlor. Can you explain this?

Mary Balint, Baltimore, Md.

(Our artist is a Lois Lane fan, and he'll do anything to keep Lois from looking a mess.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: Does SUPERMAN like Lois Lane better than Lana Lang? Please answer. I'm dying to know the truth. Mary Mingacci, Philadelphia, Pa.

(The name of this comic book is "Lois Lane, Superman's Girl Friend," which should give you a clue as to the Man of Steel's affections. Need we say more?—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: Inasmuch as I like your various SUPERMAN magazines, and hardly ever miss an issue, I regret to tell you that your February issue of LOIS LANE, which featured "The Super-Family of Steel," was a complete disappointment to me. You said that the "marriage" was not a hoax, dream, and that the bride and groom were not robots. Yet they turned out to be doubles of Lois and SUPERMAN and not the real characters. Explain.

Charles Neuman, Richmond Hill, N. Y.

(We stated, on the cover of that issue, that the wedding depicted thereon was real. We never stated that the characters shown on the cover were the real SUPERMAN and Lois. A few readers complained about this "deception," but the overwhelming majority found it entertaining. See some of the following letters.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: In the February issue a reader, Edna Simmons, wrote to you and predicted that at the end of the novel, "The Super-Family of Steel," Lois would still be single. You must admit she was right. But I've got to give you credit for handling the story so cleverly that you lived up to all your promises. It was a great yarn. Winfred Ellis, Detroit, Mich.

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Dear Editor: I just want to tell you I thought your story, "The Super-Family of Steel," was really marvelous. It was just about the greatest story I've ever read, and I know D.C. fans everywhere will agree. I also want to congratulate your ingenious writers on the brilliant way they wormed out of marrying off poor Lois. Doreen Ferlaino, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Dear Editor: "The Super-Family of Steel" was the best SUPERMAN-D.C. story that I have ever read. It really did live up to all your promises.

J. Houlihan, Jr., Bakersfield, Calif.

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Dear Editor: In the final chapter of "The Super-Family of Steel," when you are giving the reader the entire explanation, you state that not once did Sylvia call Van-Zee "Superman" in the story. Well, at the beginning of the novel, when Van-Zee rescued Sylvia from under the ship, Sylvia calls him "Superman." I think you goofed.

Freddie Lewin, Phoenix, Ariz.

(Right! And so did our writer, letterer, artist, proofreader, color artist and production staff. We all plead guilty. Incidentally, this boo-boo was also detected by Leon Kernes of Fresno, Calif.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: To put it very plainly, I am tired of waiting for SUPERMAN to pop the question to Lois. This romance, which is really not a romance, has been going on for years. How would you like it if you were Lois and got such brutal treatment? I realize that if both SUPERMAN and Lois were married it would be the end of their comics, but why don't you devote a special issue to their married lives? A devoted reader.

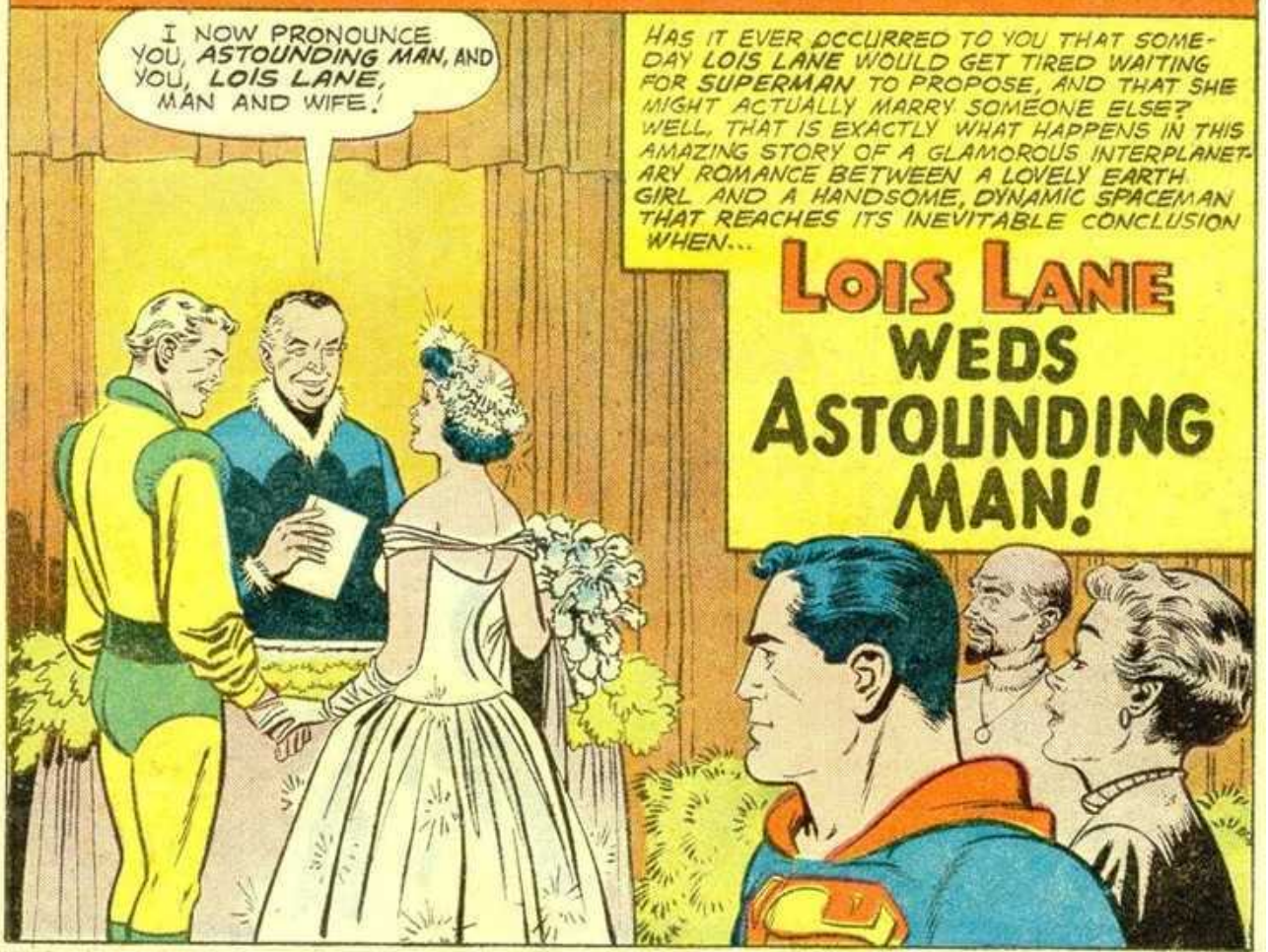
Linda Grebyk, Brooklyn, N. Y.

(We're doing better than that. Commencing with the next issue of LOIS LANE COMICS, we will begin an "Imaginary series," which will be purely make-believe, but will show what life would be like for Lois IF she were married to SUPERMAN. Each of these stories will be full of laughs, tears and surprises. But remember, they may NEVER happen . . . or COULD happen.—Ed.)

NOTE: ALL LETTERS FOR THIS DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE SENT TO: LETTERS TO LOIS, NATIONAL COMICS, 575 LEXINGTON AVENUE, NEW YORK 22, N. Y.

SUPERMAN'S GIRL FRIEND

LOIS LANE


I NOW PRONOUNCE YOU, ASTOUNDING MAN, AND YOU, LOIS LANE, MAN AND WIFE!
HAS IT EVER OCCURRED TO YOU THAT SOMEDAY LOIS LANE WOULD GET TIRED WAITING FOR SUPERMAN TO PROPOSE, AND THAT SHE MIGHT ACTUALLY MARRY SOMEONE ELSE? WELL, THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENS IN THIS AMAZING STORY OF A GLAMOROUS INTERPLANETARY ROMANCE BETWEEN A LOVELY EARTH GIRL AND A HANDSOME, DYNAMIC SPACEMAN THAT REACHES ITS INEVITABLE CONCLUSION WHEN...
LOIS LANE WEDS ASTOUNDING MAN!

ONE DAY, AS REPORTER LOIS LANE DRIVES BACK TOWARD METROPOLIS AFTER COVERING AN ASSIGNMENT IN A NEARBY CITY...
SKREEEEE
MY CAR'S ENGINE WENT MYSTERIOUSLY DEAD! WHAT'S THAT STRANGE WHISTLING SOUND FROM ABOVE? OH, NO!!!

AS AN OPENING APPEARS IN THE VEHICLE'S SIDE, LOIS RESPONDS IN A TYPICAL MANNER...
NO ONE HAS EMERGED! HMMM! PERHAPS "THEY" WANT ME TO ENTER! I'M SCARED, BUT IF I DON'T ENTER, I MAY REGRET IT THE REST OF MY LIFE!
A MOMENT LATER...
THE OPENING CLOSED! OH-OH! THE SAUCER SEEMS TO BE RISING!
AND AS LOIS PEERS THROUGH A PORT-HOLE OF THE AMAZING VESSEL...
GASP!! TH-THAT'S EARTH FAR BELOW! WHAT AN IDIOT I WAS TO ENTER THIS SHIP! N-NOW I'M BEING SPACE-NAPPED!!
THE NEXT INSTANT, A STRANGE, UNEARTHLY MUSIC PERVADES THE INSIDE OF THE SAUCER...
THAT HAUNTINGLY STRANGE MUSIC... IT'S CALMING MY NERVES... CURING ME OF FRIGHT...!
THEN, AS THE MUSIC STOPS, A STRONG, COMPELLING VOICE SPEAKS...
GULP!! WH-WHAT WILL "IT" LOOK LIKE? A BUG-EYED MONSTER??
LOIS LANE OF EARTH! THE TIME HAS COME FOR US TO MEET!
SUDDENLY, A PORTION OF THE WALL SEEMS TO MELT AWAY, AND INTO VIEW STEPS...
I LOVE YOU! PLEASE MARRY ME!
?!!

GASP! THIS C-CAN'T BE REALLY HAPPENING! HANDSOME SPACEMEN DON'T "KIDNAP" GIRL REPORTERS, AND PROPOSE THE FIRST INSTANT THEY MEET! IT ISN'T D-DONE!
I REPEAT, I LOVE YOU!

I AM ASTOUNDING MAN, AND I COME FROM THE PLANET ROXNON IN A DISTANT SOLAR SYSTEM! FOR YEARS, THE PEOPLE OF MY WORLD HAVE STUDIED, THROUGH SUPER-OBSERVATION INSTRUMENTS, THE HABITS AND SPEECH OF THE INHABITANTS OF EARTH!

AND I, DEAREST LOIS, HAVE BEEN WORSHIPPING YOU FROM AFAR! YOUR BEAUTY AND LOVELINESS OF SOUL ENCHANT ME! YOU MUST MARRY ME! I'VE COME TO EARTH SO I CAN BEG YOU TO BECOME MY WIFE...
PLEASE...I... ER... DON'T KNOW WHAT TO THINK... THIS IS SO... UNEXPECTED...

BUT I KNOW ALL ABOUT YOU! YOU'RE HESITATING BECAUSE OF SUPERMAN! DON'T! HE WILL NEVER PROPOSE TO YOU! I AM HANDSOME AND HAVE SUPER-POWERS, TOO! MARRY ME...!
HE IS HANDSOME ...AND HE ADORES ME! WHAT'S MORE, HE MAY BE RIGHT ABOUT SUPERMAN...

LOIS, COME TO MY WORLD FOR 48 HOURS! IF, AT THE END OF THAT TIME, YOU WON'T VOLUNTARILY MARRY ME, I WILL RETURN YOU SAFELY TO EARTH!
I'LL DO IT!
AT THE VERY LEAST, I'LL GET A SCOOP FOR THE DAILY PLANET!

JUBILANTLY, ASTOUNDING MAN LEAPS INTO THE AIR, THEN...
HOORAY!
HE'S SPINNING IN MID-AIR, HAPPY WITH JOY! HMM... I WONDER WHAT STRANGE SURPRISES AWAIT ME ON ROXNON?

SOON, THE SAUCER REACHES ASTOUNDING MAN'S FABULOUS ESTATE ON ROXNON...
WHY... THIS IS A... LOIS LANE PALACE!
I BUILT IT IN WORSHIP OF... YOU!
INSIDE THE AMAZING PALACE...
PORTRAITS... BUSTS... STATUES OF ME EVERYWHERE! HE MUST INDEED LOVE ME VERY, VERY MUCH...!
LOIS CONTEMPLATION ROOM
COME WITH ME!
AND WITHIN THE ROOM, MORE SURPRISES...
CONTINUOUSLY RUNNING 3-D MOVIES OF ME! HERE, I'M SEEN FROLICKING ON A BEACH...
YOUR EVERY MOVEMENT IS SHEER, SYMPHONIC MAGIC... YOU ARE POETRY COME TO LIFE... DIVINE...IMMORTAL...
IN THIS 3-D FILM, I'M SEEN MODELING LOVELY CLOTHES AT A NEWSPAPER WOMEN'S CLUB FASHION SHOW!
I RECORDED EVERY UNFORGETTABLE MOMENT OF IT ALL, ON FILM THROUGH A SUPER-TELESCOPE WHICH CAN SEE THROUGH WALLS...
I...I NEVER DREAMED I MEANT SO MUCH TO A MAN... ESPECIALLY, A MAN BILLIONS OF MILES FROM EARTH...!
I HAVE WRITTEN HUNDREDS OF VOLUMES IN YOUR PRAISE! COME, I WANT ALL ROXNON TO SEE YOU, IN ALL YOUR INCOMPARABLE LOVELINESS...
THROUGH THE SKIES OF AN ALIEN PLANET, WHIZZES LOIS IN THE ARMS OF HER EXTRAORDINARILY TALL AND HANDSOME SUITOR...
HE'S EVERY BIT AS WONDERFUL AS SUPERMAN, AND HE LOVES ME WITH A FIERCE, YET TENDER, BURNING INTENSITY!... I DON'T DESERVE SUCH ADORATION!

A SENSATION IS CREATED AS THE CITIZENS OF ROXNON SEE ASTOUNDING MAN PROUDLY STROLLING WITH HIS EARTH BEAUTY...
WHAT A STRIKINGLY HANDSOME COUPLE!
FORTUNATE GIRL! ASTOUNDING MAN IS THE BEST CATCH ON OUR WORLD!

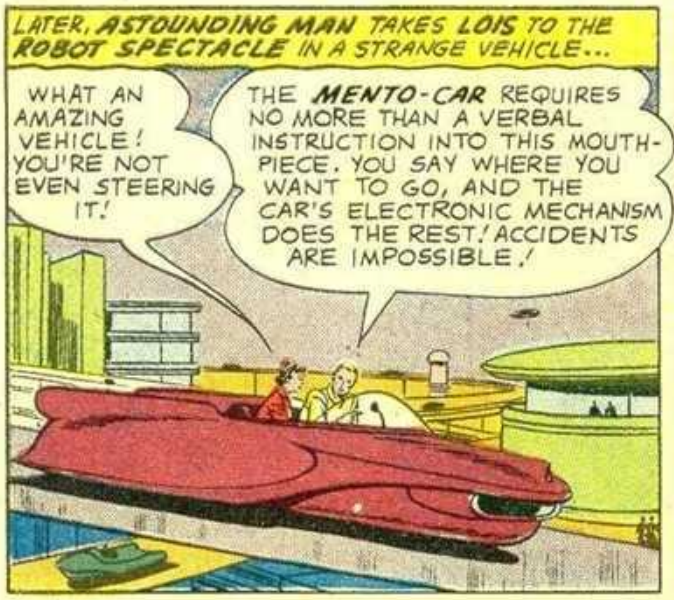
THEN...
WH-WHERE IS HE FLYING ME NOW?

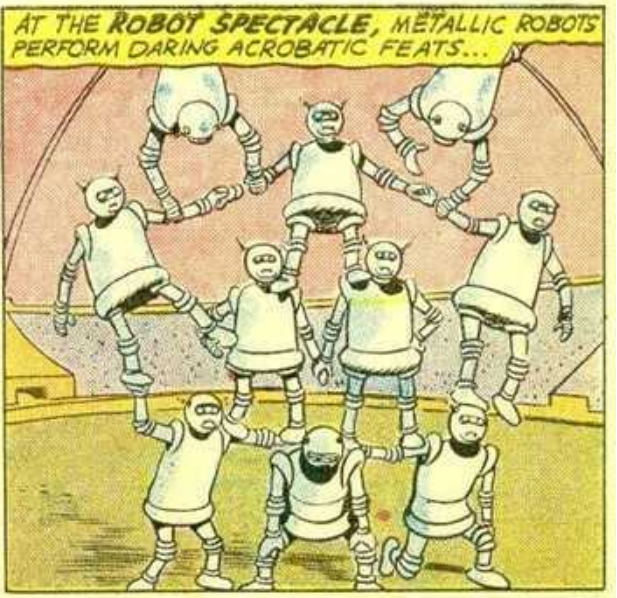
SOON...ON A SATELLITE OF ROXNON WHICH HAS A LIFE-SUPPORTING ATMOSPHERE...
PLEASE FORGIVE ME FOR BRINGING YOU HERE... BUT I GOT JEALOUS OF EVERYONE STARING AT YOU! I WANT YOU ALL TO MYSELF!
WE'RE THE ONLY TWO PEOPLE ON THIS SATELLITE-WORLD!

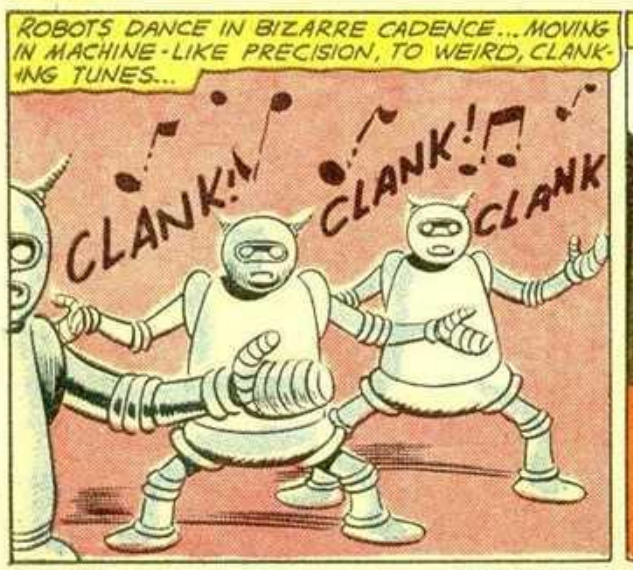
TAKE THIS RING, AS A TOKEN OF MY LOVE FOR YOU!
WHAT A STRANGE RING! IT EXUDES PERFUME AND GLOWS WITH A MYSTIC AURA! IT MUST BE VERY VALUABLE!

RETURNING LOIS TO ROXNON, ASTOUNDING MAN TAKES HER FOR A ROCKET-SLEIGH RIDE...
WHAT FUN!
YOUR LAUGHTER IS LIKE THE TINKLING MERRIMENT OF A MISCHEVIOUS FAIRY QUEEN...

YOU ARE A QUEEN, LOIS... THE QUEEN OF MY HEART! OH, LOIS, LOIS... I LOVE YOU SO MUCH...
THIS IS LIKE A BEAUTIFUL DREAM OF ROMANCE! I... HOPE... I DON'T... WAKE UP...!


LATER, ASTOUNDING MAN TAKES LOIS TO THE ROBOT SPECTACLE IN A STRANGE VEHICLE...
WHAT AN AMAZING VEHICLE! YOU'RE NOT EVEN STEERING IT!
THE MENTO-CAR REQUIRES NO MORE THAN A VERBAL INSTRUCTION INTO THIS MOUTH-PIECE. YOU SAY WHERE YOU WANT TO GO, AND THE CAR'S ELECTRONIC MECHANISM DOES THE REST! ACCIDENTS ARE IMPOSSIBLE!


AT THE ROBOT SPECTACLE, METALLIC ROBOTS PERFORM DARING ACROBATIC FEATS...


ROBOTS DANCE IN BIZARRE CADENCE... MOVING IN MACHINE-LIKE PRECISION, TO WEIRD, CLANK-ING TUNES...
CLANK!
CLANK!
CLANK

...THEN ROBOT GLADIATORS CLASH...
ASTOUNDING MAN! WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
TO DO BATTLE, IN YOUR HONOR! I WOULD GLADLY FIGHT A THOUSAND ROBOTS FOR YOU, BELOVED!

HE IS OVERPOWERING THEM ALL! WHAT A MAN! AND HE'S MINE!

LATER, IN THE LOIS LANE PALACE...
LOIS, SEEING YOU CONSTANTLY, AND NOT HAVING YOU FOR MY WIFE, IS MORE THAN I CAN BEAR, ANY LONGER! IF I CAN'T HAVE YOU, AS MY BRIDE, THEN I AM GOING TO RETURN YOU TO EARTH RIGHT NOW!
NO! KEEP ME HERE WITH YOU, FOREVER! I LOVE YOU!

YOU LOVE ME? BUT WHAT OF SUPERMAN? I THOUGHT...
I'VE COME TO MY SENSES! SUPERMAN DOESN'T WANT ME! BUT YOU DO, AND YOU'RE JUST AS HANDSOME, AND SUPER, AS HE IS! I WANT YOU!
I MUST BE SURE THAT IT'S ME YOU REALLY LOVE! ARE YOU SURE IT'S NOT JUST MY GOOD LOOKS, OR SUPER-POWERFUL BODY...?
NO, IT'S MORE THAN THOSE SUPERFICIAL THINGS I LOVE! IT'S WHAT'S INSIDE YOU... YOUR MIND...YOUR SOUL...
THEN YOU PROMISE YOU WOULD MARRY ME, NO MATTER WHAT MY SECRET IS?
OH, I GET IT! YOU HAVE A SECRET IDENTITY, JUST AS SUPERMAN HAS! WELL, I DON'T CARE WHO YOU REALLY ARE! I'LL MARRY YOU! THAT'S A PROMISE!
REMEMBER THAT! COME WITH ME! I WANT YOU TO LEARN MY SECRET IDENTITY!
OH, I CAN HARDLY WAIT!
BUT THEN, SHOCKINGLY...
LOIS, MEET THE REAL ME... MY SECRET IDENTITY, OOGAMOOGA!
THAT... IS... YOU??
JUMP INTO THE AIR, ASTOUNDING MAN... CLICK YOUR HEELS!
GASP! ASTOUNDING MAN IS...OBEYING! L-LIKE A PUPPET! WH-WHAT DOES TH-THIS MEAN???

IT MEANS, LOIS, SWEETHEART, THAT ASTOUNDING MAN IS AN ARTIFICIAL MAN MADE OF CHEMICALS... AN ANDROID... WHO I BOUGHT AT THE ANDROID MANUFACTURING CENTER!
GULP! M-MY DREAM MAN IS A PERFECT "ROBOT" MADE OF CHEMICALS, NOT METAL!
HA, HA! HE OBEYS MY EVERY ORDER... HIS WORDS ARE MY WORDS... WHEN I ORDER HIM TO HOLD YOU IN HIS ARMS, HE DOES! WHEN I ORDER HIM TO KISS, HE KISSES! LISTEN TO THIS TAPE RECORDING...
LOIS, SEEING YOU, AND NOT HAVING YOU FOR MY WIFE, IS UNBEARABLE TORTURE!
HE IS REPEATING WHAT HE SAID BEFORE, WORD FOR WORD!
YOU PROMISED TO MARRY HIM, NO MATTER WHAT! IF YOU DON'T GO THROUGH WITH THE MARRIAGE, YOU'LL BREAK YOUR PROMISE! AND IF YOU DO MARRY HIM, YOU WILL, INDIRECTLY, BE MARRYING ME!
I WILL... KEEP MY PROMISE! LOIS LANE WILL MARRY ASTOUNDING MAN!
LATER...
HA, HA! WON'T SUPERMAN BE SURPRISED!
SHORTLY, SUPERMAN IS SUMMONED TO AN ARMY MANEUVER AREA ON EARTH...
SUPERMAN, WE FOUND THAT NOTE IN A STRANGE ROCKET THAT LANDED DURING MANEUVERS! IT IS ADDRESSED TO YOU...
AN INVITATION TO ATTEND THE WEDDING OF LOIS LANE AND ASTOUNDING MAN, ON ANOTHER WORLD! A SKETCH SHOWS WHERE ROXNON IS LOCATED!

FLYING TO ROXNON, SUPERMAN LEARNS THE FACTS OF THE MARRIAGE FROM LOIS...
AND YOU'RE GOING THROUGH WITH THIS MARRIAGE TO ASTOUNDING MAN... KNOWING HE IS REALLY... ...OOGA-MOOGA?
YES! AND THIS IS WHY... PS-ST, PS-ST!
AND SO... INCREDIBLY...
I NOW PRONOUNCE YOU, ASTOUNDING MAN, AND YOU, LOIS LANE MAN-AND-WIFE!
AFTER THE CEREMONY, SUPERMAN FLIES OFF...
CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU BOTH! GOODBYE!
I MUST SAY SUPERMAN IS A GOOD SPORT! HE'S LOSING A WONDERFUL GIRL!
BUT SECONDS LATER, SUPERMAN JOINS LOIS ELSEWHERE...
WHAT OOGAMOOGA DOESN'T KNOW IS THAT ASTOUNDING MAN MARRIED A HUMAN-LIKE LOIS LANE ANDROID I BOUGHT AT THE ANDROID FACTORY, IN EXCHANGE FOR THAT VALUABLE RING ASTOUNDING MAN GAVE ME...
THEN SUPERMAN FLIES LOIS EARTHWARD IN A SPECIALLY CONSTRUCTED GLOBE...
AT THE FACTORY, I MET GEENA, A LOVE-STARVED OLD LADY AND I GAVE HER THE LOIS LANE ANDROID SO GEENA COULD "MARRY" ASTOUNDING MAN BY PROXY THROUGH THE LOIS ANDROID SHE NOW CONTROLS...!
AND AS LOIS HAD HOPED, OOGAMOOGA (WHO IS SECRETLY ASTOUNDING MAN,) AND GEENA (WHO IS SECRETLY THE LOIS LANE ANDROID) ARE VERY HAPPY, THOUGH UNAWARE OF EACH OTHERS' EXISTENCE...
HA, HA, HA!
TEE HEE!
END.

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